

AN APOLOGY FOR DARRELL[iST MAY

Somtrs, wntten by Master Darrell, with a
dedication to the
Lord Keeper, Sir John Popham, Lord Chief Justice,
Sir William
Periam, and other judges The main point of the
controversy
is whether Somers was possessed and
dispossessed, yea or no ,
and, whether when he confessed that he had but
counterfeited
possession, his confession was not wrought by the
threats of
Satan and his instruments in the shape of a black
dog, a mouse
and an ass This writer complaineth that it hath
been given out
for this year past that all is counterfeit and
Darrell a cosener as
if he had been deliberately heard, the witnesses
on both sides
indifferently heard, and sentence in fine judicially
and solemnly
pronounced , yet in very truth the matter
dependeth unde-
cided Endeth the epistle with this note *
Enquire whether
this royal law doth not bind a Bishop *NuUus liber*
homo captatur vel imprisonetur etc Nulh vendemus^ nulh
negabvnms^ aut
fajjeremus lUsMiam out rectum Magna Carta
Cap 29 *

May THE DUNKIRK PIRATES
From Hull there are great complaints of the
Dunkrkers
Four or five ships that have come home have been
ransacked of
all that they had and the like has been used to
Flemings and
Englishmen These pirates put the whole country
in fear about
the Spurn Head and Flamborough, and chase the
ships of Hull
going to Newcastle for coab or to Berwick with
corn into the
Humberts mouth and upon the shore. They have
done more
mischief and are like to do much more for they
take out of the
ships such masters as they tlrmlr good and force
them to be
pilots along these Northern coasts

i6tb May THE NEW LORD TREASURER.

Sir Thomas Sackville, Lord Buckhurst, is
advanced to be

Lord Treasurer, and Sir John Popham is made of
the Privy
Council.

May CATHOLIC TROUBLES.
Of late years, ever since the death of Cardinal
Allen in '94,
there have been continual stirs amongst our
English Catholics,
not only in the English College at Rome but also
at Wisbeach,
among the prisoners there, which arose by
reason that the
secular priests opposed the domination of the
Jesuits. Certain